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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Timothy Y. Chow et al.
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Examiner : Justin M. Philpott
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Customer No.: 24628
Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
DESIGNING RING-BASED
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
NETWORKS

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's allowance of all of the pending claims. Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, applicants do not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a prior art document by the Examiner, particularly any that

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is inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all other constituent limitations.

Respectfully submitted,

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